

<p><b>March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018</b></p>	<p><b>CHRONICLES OF THE ROTARY OF MURRAY</b></p>	<p><b>Issue NO. 156</b></p>
<p><b>Quote of the Day</b></p>	<p>“I have warned many times about the guaranteed dangers of betting with your heart instead of your head – big darkness, soon come – but every once in awhile you get a fair chance to have it both ways, and the annual NCAA Basketball Tournament is one of them.” Hunter S. Thompson</p>	
<p><b>This Week</b></p>	<p>Tawnya Hunter, Director of Professional Development &amp; Public Relations for the Calloway County Schools, will introduce members from the Calloway County Workforce Group.</p>	
<p><b>Last Week</b></p>	<p>After being introduced by Carmen Garland, Dakota Moore, a 2016 Murray State Outstanding Senior, from the Hutson School of Agriculture, spoke about the Arboretum and upcoming events at the Mabel G. &amp; J. Stanley Pullen Farm and Green House. Abby Hensley was here as well to add a few key details. The Arboretum and surrounding grounds comprise 44 acres generously bequeathed to Murray State University. Not only does this land serve the educational mission of the Hutson School of Agriculture, it also directly benefits the surrounding community. The agronomy test fields dovetail with the ground used for the annual Fall on the Farm outreach program in September, which is next to the horticulture greenhouses and mum pad; all of which surround the Arboretum. Mr. Moore was careful to point out the various student plant sales. Let’s see, there’s the Mum Sale in the Fall, the Poinsettia Sale in November, and then, of course, there’s the biggest of all, the Spring Plant Sale. It should be noted that the Spring Plant Sale occurs on April 21<sup>st</sup> from 8 AM to noon. Mark your calendar now! There’s also the Hutson Harvest Gala on September 13<sup>th</sup>. This year’s fundraiser will benefit a special project targeted at trees.</p>	
<p><b>Next Week</b></p>	<p>Some of our newest members will introduce themselves and help us to get to know them better. Mark Welch will lead the program.</p>	
<p><b>Our Guests Last Week</b></p>	<p>Jamie Futrell, Allison Alexander, Kathy Forster, Dakota Moore, Abby Hensley, &amp; Kerry Lynn</p>	
<p><b>Club Member Birthdays This Week:</b> Jamie Jameson</p>		
<p><b>Club member anniversaries this month:</b> Jayne Crisp (‘93), Ruth James-Daniel (‘17), Teresa Thompson (‘17), Luke Crawford (‘16), Michael Ramage (‘16), Mark Welch (‘11), Sam Steger (‘15), Kenny Imes (‘02), Tim Thurmond (‘15), Terry Little (‘16), James Gallimore (‘14), Jeff Kinsley (‘17), Angelia Boyd (‘17), Jeff Miller (‘17), &amp; Pam Wurgler (‘05)</p>		
<p><b>TODAY’S AGENDA</b></p>	<p>The Four Way Test of the Things We Think, Do, and Say</p>	
<p>Songsters: Jayne Crisp &amp; Mark Welch Rotary Four Way Test</p>	<p>1. Is it the truth?</p>	

Invocation: Rick Dye  
Songs: *I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover & Sing  
Out a Song of Ro-t'ry*  
Sergeant at Arms: Alice Rouse  
Introduction: Tawnya Hunter  
Speaker: Calloway County Workforce Group

2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will  
& better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

### **Rotary Rumors**

Club business is booming! One needs no further evidence than the five leaders who crowded the podium at Nancy Mieure's request. LaCosta Hays announced the date for the next Golf Tournament, an important fundraiser for our club, which is Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. She's pulling her committee together now, so contact her ASAP if you are willing and able to help out. Dennis Heskett was next with an update about the Bass Tournament, another crucial fundraising event, which is scheduled for Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup>. He and Kay Zweedyk are organizing their task force and are likewise looking for assistance. The bass fishing season is upon us and one of the promotion tactics is to place flyers on parked cars at ongoing fishing tournaments. Nancy Mieure reminded us all that the annual banquet is Tuesday (not Thursday), June 26<sup>th</sup>. So it might be a good idea to mark your calendar now with these three important Rotary events occurring so close together in the same week. Vernon Gantt stepped to the fore to bestow a Paul Harris Fellowship on Bill Davis. Alice Rouse brought to our attention once again that a recruitment drive is underway. So bring that friend, business associate, or neighbor to the next meeting to encourage them to join our club. Carmen Garland stood to relay to the congregation that fifty second-graders in five local schools were the beneficiaries of Rotarians reading to them. Of course, the Rotarians would likely say that they themselves got more out of it than the children. Sergeant at Arms Jayne Crisp, relying on Steven Hunter's research of the previous week's newspapers, drew our attention to Rotarians in the press and penalized them accordingly. Don't forget that the Sectional stage of the Rotary Club of Murray 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Speech Contest is scheduled for Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 2 PM, at the Murray Woman's Clubhouse, 704 Vine Street. Just a friendly reminder, volunteers are still needed. Please contact Steven Hunter or Miranda Terry. Even if you aren't able to help out, please take advantage of this opportunity to support the exceptional young people competing in this contest. It will definitely be something to see!

### **What's Coming Up?**

The *Max Hurt Memorial Golf Tournament* is Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup>. The rain date is July 6<sup>th</sup>. The event will be at the Murray Country Club Golf Course. Lunch and registration is at noon; shotgun begins at 1 PM. LaCosta Hays, Golf Tournament Chair, is seeking volunteers. Please contact her at (270) 978-0137 or [lacosta@mccconnellinsurance.com](mailto:lacosta@mccconnellinsurance.com) if you can assist with a shift from 1-3:30 or 3:30-5:30 PM as a Hole-in-One witness. Volunteers are also needed as greeters and at the registration table, and business items for the goody bags.

The Murray Rotary Bass Tournament will be June 30<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at Kentucky Dam Marina & State Park. Kay Zweedyk is looking for volunteers to distribute flyers starting this Saturday. There are seven fishing tournaments in March on Kentucky Lake as well as several smaller tournaments on Lake Barkley that create opportunities for Rotarians to assist with the promotion effort. Kay is looking for you right now to *sign up*.